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COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

RE: Application Serial No.: 09/899,171

Applicants: Yoshiki KIDA, et al.

Filing Date: July 6, 2001

For: EXPOSURE APPARATUS, SURFACE POSITION

ADJUSTMENT UNIT, MASK, AND DEVICE

MANUFACTURING METHOD

Group Art Unit: 2878 Examiner: LUU, T

SIR:

Attached hereto for filing are the following papers:

## **REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (3 MONTHS)**

Our check in the amount of \$930.00 is attached covering any required fees. In the event any variance exists between the amount enclosed and the Patent Office charges for filing the above-noted documents, including any fees required under 37 C.F.R 1.136 for any necessary Extension of Time to make the filing of the attached documents timely, please charge or credit the difference to our Deposit Account No. 15-0030. Further, if these papers are not considered timely filed, then a petition is hereby made under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 for the necessary extension of time. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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It is hereby requested that a three month extension of time be granted to August 27, 2003 for

- filing a continuation application.
- responding to the requirements in the Notice of Allowability dated:
- filing the Formal Drawings. The Issue Fee due

has been timely filed.

- responding to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application dated:
- illing a Notice of Appeal. A timely response to the final rejection, due

has been filed.

- filing an Appeal Brief. A Notice of Appeal was filed on:
- Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown below is reduced by one-half.

The required fee of \$930.00 is enclosed herewith by check and any further charges may be made against the Attorney of Record's Deposit Account No. 15-0030. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully Submitted,

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